

## **Temple Beth El**

Wayne State University Bonstelle Theatre

Address: 3424 Woodward

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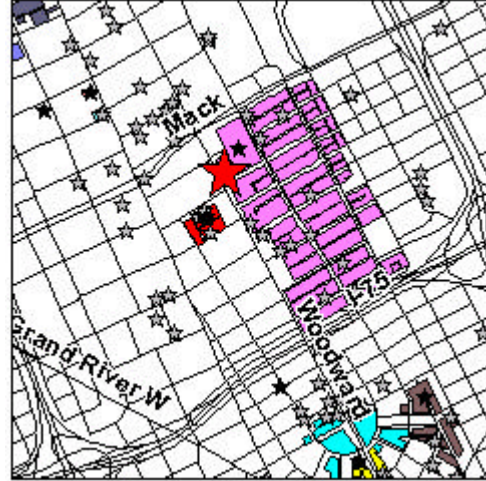
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Bonstelle Theatre, 2003



### **Historic Overview:**

The former synagogue of Temple Beth El, now Wayne State University's Bonstelle Theatre, was designed by Albert Kahn, a member of the congregation in 1903. The congregation used the building until 1922 when they built a new temple further north on Woodward Avenue. C. Howard Crane was commissioned in 1925 to remodel the interior of the building, which was then used as a theatre/playhouse. Wayne State University purchased the building in 1956.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Information obtained from Michigan Historic Sites Online.